<u>ABSTRACT</u>

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3 Representative embodiments provide for a data handling system including a 4 remote entity and a local entity coupled in data communication with the remote entity. 5 The local entity is configured to wait for a predefined interval of time, retrieve a quantity 6 of data from the remote entity after the predefined interval of time, and redefine the interval of time in accordance with a predefined function. A method of retrieving data 7 8 includes waiting for a predefined interval of time, retrieving a quantity of data from a 9 remote entity after the predefined interval of time, and redefining the interval of time in 10 accordance with a predefined function.